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1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response.
2. Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
 Enclosed is a verified statement to establish Small Entity status
 Other than a Small Entity

3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CALCULATION OF FEES

Fee:	Number of Claims After Amendment:		Previously Paid For:	No. Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					\$360	\$0.00
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4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____ for additional claims.
 Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$_____.

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

	<u>Ext. Mos.</u>	<u>Large entity</u>	<u>Small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
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Extension fee due with this request:

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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An extension for ____ months has already been secured and the fee paid thereof of \$____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$____.

OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

6. If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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